

Bryant PTSA meeting minutes

April 5, 2022

Time	Item	Owner
7:00	<p>Welcome to April's Board Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run through agenda • Meeting reminders and support 	President
7:05	<p>Land Acknowledgement</p>	President/Dave Chapman
7:06	<p>Approval of minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From February board meeting minutes • Kathleen motioned to approve, Jenn seconded 	President / Vice President
7:06	<p>Anti-Racist Commitment & Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bryant Library Special Collections • https://collections.follettsoftware.com/collection/5fb2d7ecf0ef4100129c4626 • Email: Anne Aleverti at ahaliverti@seattleschools.org a title you interested in checking out. 	President
7:07	<p>Treasury Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional funds for annual campaign hit the books: \$1,014, total to \$206,864 ○ Interest: \$16 • Expenses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Salaries: \$36,350 ○ Families in Need: \$2,850 ○ Boots!!: \$1,553 ○ (*\$1500 for emergency preparedness & \$500 science fair coordination has not hit our unallocated line item yet). • Families in Need fundraising started to hit books: \$795 • Action: need to advertise class level grants to room parents 	Terry, Raphe & Carly
7:10	<p>Advocacy Committee Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: to promote the school's recovery from the pandemic by seeking resources for both social and emotional support as well as in terms of stabilizing enrollment and leadership. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advocacy level- focus in near term at the district level and prepare for upcoming statewide advocacy as well as on community engagement efforts. • Advocacy Issue Areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote changes we understand are in consideration for the funding of APs through the WSS formula. ○ Seek resources to promote enrollment and community engagement ○ Advocate re: recent SPS decision restricting use of the reservation system impacting our ability to hold community events 	Carrie Lee, Nicole Witenstein

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote district improvements/resources for enrollment marketing efforts for incoming families, including increasing SPS public marketing for K families. ● Current work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting with District 3 School Board Director Hampson being scheduled ○ Input requested tonight on impact of loss of AP to share at meeting ● Upcoming: Community engagement plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work to increase transparency on SPS funding/policy/decision making ○ Create advocacy listserv ○ Send an advocacy round up in newsletter ● Open door policy to help us advocate for you at district and state level ● Email us at advocacy@bryantschool.org 	
7:25	<p>Community Engagement & Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brainstorm meeting held on 1/29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yard signs as community builder and support for Bryant – complete! ● In progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Video school tour - contact Ann Sonnen ○ Flyer to share with local Real Estate agents on public schools in the area - Ann Sonnen ○ Direct mail postcard - Jenn DuHamel ○ Post Flyers around Bryant for K enrollment - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4aaea922a7f94-bryant1 ○ Interested in helping with these items or other ideas: contact Jennifer DuHamel jenniferd@bryantschool.org ○ Ann Sonnen anns@bryantschool.org ● Bryant School Video <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning meeting held 4/4/2022: Thank you to Char, Erin, Thomas, Darby & David! ○ Goals are to raise enrollment and establish a relationship with prospective families. Focus on welcoming families to Bryant, “Why Bryant” and FAQ’s, & a peek inside. ○ Current needs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Co-editor for script - staff and parents/caregivers welcome ▪ Equipment: handheld stabilizer and microphones ▪ Featured voices: Adults: “I chose Bryant for my family because...” - In person or virtual. Students: “I love Bryant because...” - Scheduled Teams meeting (voices only). Staff: One nominee per grade level: “At Bryant, we...” ▪ Ms Holley volunteered to be a teacher speaker ○ All are welcome to get involved in this project! ● Community Events Ideas – Need Chairs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outdoor dance party (DJ parent?, invite the immediate neighbors?) ○ Outdoor Bryant Blast (need chair, Ann to transition) - cake walk and auction baskets and games outside ○ Art Night or bring your favorite art from home 	Kathy/Ann Sonnen/Jenn

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outdoor movie night - popcorn sales maybe May or June (Moana, Mulan, etc.) (movie license - Raphe?) ○ Parent night outs ○ Would need to find alternative venues - SPS has not approved the use of school property for community building events. Can we request a waiver? ● Next Steps/Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Look @ Ravenna Eckstein for dance party ○ 4th grade fundraising ○ Bbq TBD 	
	New Business	
8:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Approval of Funds: Increased Funds for Science Fair Coordinator – PASSED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Request: reallocate \$500 from unallocated funds to science fair coordination ○ For: Compensation for additional amount of time taken to coordinate this year's Virtual Science Fair for 5th Grade students ○ Discussion via email & Motion passed March 9, 2022 ○ Recommendation for 2022-2023 Budget Committee to raise the stipend to \$3,500 (from the current amount of \$3,000) 	Kathy
8:05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nominating Committee Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current Focus for Nominating Committee: ○ -PTSA President Role ○ -PTSA Vice President Role ○ -PTSA Treasurer Role ● Virtual PTSA 101 Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thursday, April 28th 6PM-7PM ○ Meeting link to be shared at a later date ● In-Person PTSA Meet Up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Current PTSA board/committee members, please come meet future members or interested members to chat about Bryant or just life in general in NE Seattle! ○ Wednesday, May 4th 8PM-9PM @ Ravenna Brewery 	Mo & Carrie
8:24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Budget Committee Updates ● Convened 3/23 & 3/31 ● High level considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commitment to meet salary needs for interventionists ○ Aligned with 21-22 budget survey results ○ To fill in gaps resulting from service cuts ○ Increased need for resources post pandemic ● Interest in engaging an accountant in a more substantial manner to revamp our systems. ● Modify the reserve policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reserve currently at \$82,500 ○ Reduce to cover 50% of operating expenses ● Next Steps: 	Kathy/Dave

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finalize draft budget to review at May meeting ○ Present proposed budget for vote at June meeting 	
8:29	<p>Laser Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring break camp next week • Summer registration is open – 8am-5pm. Will have field trips to outdoor locations. • Hoping to open waitlist spots after spring break • Questions for the laser team can go to Bryant@laserchildcare.org 	Robbie Saunders
8:31	<p>Teacher's Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st grade art projects in 2nd floor windows on 34th Ave NE. Animal reports happening – learning how to break larger projects into smaller tasks. • Preparing students for 3rd grade SBA testing – spending time practicing maneuvering the online platform and minimizing anxiety. Working on non-fiction writing report focused on women and people of color. 	Chara Johnson, Kaitlin Holley
8:34	<p>Principal's Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District releasing early enrollment numbers by Friday April 8th, seeing positive results from marketing events • Information on universal consent forms sent to families – would be able to test on site 	Principal Marshall
8:41	<p>Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No questions 	Kathy
8:41	<p>Adjourn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ann moved to adjourn, Raphe seconded. 	Kathy